

# **\*Update #3\* Third Arrest Made -Home Invasion- Frederica**



Charles L. Melvin Jr.

***Frederica*** –The Delaware State Police are investigating a home invasion in which the third suspect has been identified and arrested.

The preliminary investigation has determined the incident occurred around 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, January 10, 2018 when troopers responded to the 80 block of Barefoot Lane for a reported Home Invasion. The investigation revealed that an unknown suspect had approached the residence and knocked on

the door. Upon the homeowner/victim, 31-year-old male of Frederica opening the door, he was struck in the head by an unknown blunt force object. As the victim fell to the floor, a scuffle ensued. The victim was subsequently held down by the suspect who then began communicating with a second suspect who entered the residence. The second suspect proceeded to the bedroom where he removed three firearms, several boxes of ammunition, and an undisclosed amount of cash. Once these items were obtained, both suspects fled the residence on foot.

The victim was transported to a local area hospital by a private vehicle where he was treated and released with non-life threatening injuries that he sustained during this incident.

Through investigative measures, a third suspect was identified as 39-year-old **Charles L. Melvin Jr.** of Milford. On Wednesday, February 7, 2018, while conducting surveillance in Milford, the U.S. Marshal's Task Force located and arrested Melvin without further incident.

Melvin was transported to Troop 3 where he was charged with Robbery First Degree, Home Invasion, Assault First Degree, Possession of a Deadly Weapon During the Commission of a Felony, Theft of Firearm, Possession of a Firearm by a Person Prohibited, Conspiracy Second Degree, and Terroristic Threatening. Melvin was arraigned out of the Justice of the Peace Court 2 and committed to the James T. Vaughn Correctional Center on \$11,700.00 cash only bond.

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